

MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2015 10:10am
VALLEY AREA COMMAND COMMUNITY POLICING COUNCIL
LOS DURANES COMMUNITY CENTER
ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Maxine Cowton, Chairperson
Richard Deichsel
Edwina Kiro
Kathleen O'Malley
Jennifer Rhea
James Soluter
Joan Wierzba
Officer Jerome Armijo/Officer Carmelita Michaud

Excused—Officer John Burley

COMMUNITY MEMBERS

Sallie Cervera (Mediator-SNM), Patricia Stelzner (Rio Grande Blvd Neighborhood Assoc.), G.P. Lovato ("Hispanic"), Antoine Pirard (Privayc Attorney Bencral) (We the People, American Liberty Law), Cipriano Roybal (all@usa.com).

Civilian Police Oversight – Edward Harness
Officer Art Gonzales, Officer _____

Community members objected to a closed meeting because they felt they were not notified.

CLOSED MEETING

CALL TO ORDER----by the Chair

Acting Secretary Kathleen O'Malley determined a quorum was present.

Acting Secretary read the purpose of the Closed meeting as follows:

PURPOSE OF THE CLOSED MEETING

To address then inappropriate behavior of Councilor Jennifer Rhea as a representative of said Council. Further, Ms. Rhea's participation on the Council has become counterproductive and is an impediment to the accomplishments of the Council's work.

Two community members continued to speak in opposition of the closed meeting. Mr. Roybal indicated that he was a reporter with "all @usa.com" and indicated the Council was subject to a \$5,000 penalty for violating the Open Meeting statute

Unable to carry on with the closed meeting proceedings Councilor Richard Deichsel moved to table

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the closed meeting, second by Councilor Watson. Motion approved.

GENERAL MEETING

The Chair called the general meeting to order.

Approval of the October minutes was postponed until the next meeting.

Having no agenda for the general meeting, the Chair opened the floor for discussion.

The Council requests information to be presented at the next meeting on the following items:

- * Mission of the Community Policing Councils.
- * Communication with the neighborhood groups.
- * What are the APD completed objectives since the establishment of the DOJ/City/APD Settlement Agreement?
- * Progress report regarding compliance with the Settlement.
- * Progress report on the 6 (six) Area Command Community Policing Councils.
- * What issues are under consideration by other CPCouncils?
- * Defined crime statistics for VACCPPC and throughout the City.
- * Additional information on the Police Oversight Board
- * Other concerns to be addressed in the future.

Each member of the Council was directed to review the Settlement Agreement especially the sections pertinent to the Community Policing Councils. (see September 21 e-mail from Ms. Espinoza)

ADJOURNMENT at 12:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Chairwoman Maxine Cowton